

**CHILD HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
May 12, 2011
St. John's Conference Center**

Attendees: Laura Bednar, Elton Cleveland, Michelle Justus, Tony Thurman, Laura Sanders, Jada Walker

Absentees: Elisabeth Burak, Carole Garner, Margaret Harris, Pam Jones, Barbara Kumpe, Andrea Martin, Kathy McFetridge, Patsy Smith, Paula Smith, Brett Stone, Bob West, Connie Whitfield

Substitutes: Dolores Sutterfield (Charlotte Davis), Rashonda Williams (Michelle Smith)

Staff: Mary Wells, Brittany Johnson

Next meeting: June 9, 2011

Business

Due to lack of quorum, the April minutes were tabled until the next meeting.

Survey Discussion

Jada went over the survey results with members. Fourteen out of twenty members completed the survey, and nine out of fourteen of participating members suggested changing the meeting to a three hour timeframe. There was no conclusion made due to lack of quorum, and it was suggested to receive more input from those who travel the farthest. Discussion of the survey will be tabled until the next meeting.

Organization and Program Updates

Staff

Mary announced that a candidate had been chosen for the Arkansas Department of Health Coordinated School Health Coordinator position, and she was awaiting approval from the agency.

Hometown Health Initiative

Mary announced that Christine Reifess attended the Head Start "I Am Moving, I Am Learning" (IMIL) training in Texas. The IMIL is a proactive approach for addressing childhood obesity in Head Start children. IMIL seeks to increase daily moderate to vigorous physical activity (MVPA), improve the quality of movement activities intentionally planned and facilitated by adults, and promote healthy food choices every day. Head Start opened the training to anyone outside of Head Start.

Department of Education

Laura Bednar announced that Laura McDowell will be retiring from the Arkansas Department of Education's Office of Coordinated School Health, and they have started the application process to fill her position. Dr. Kimbrell is in the process of going back to the original MOU between agencies, to see what can be sustained and what can be modified from the recommendations. Some of the recommendations cannot be considered for moving forward because ADE cannot have the appearance of unfunded mandates that administrators might reject. It was suggested that CHAC members look back over the recommendations and decide how to move forward. The recommendations will be sent to all

members for review. This item will be put on August 2011's agenda for discussion. CSH Evaluation results will be presented to the committee by ACHI in August.

Act 1220

Michelle Justus reported that approximately 12% have either not begun or not completed their BMI assessment and entry. There has also been an increase in media contacting the Arkansas Center for Health Improvement about BMI information.

Act 1220 CPH Evaluation

Jada will share the 2010 data report with the committee. Jada announced that a group from the evaluation team has been going out to randomly selected school cafeterias to see what is being offered to students before the implementation of Child Nutrition Reauthorization.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:54.